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Slingshots are all right in their place—but their place is not in the country. Likewise they can be aimed at almost anything but birds and windows. Youngsters observed "drawing a bead" on birds in Torrance and in residential areas where windows may be shattered by the elastic-propelled missiles have drawn a number of complaints from residents. No action against the "slingers" by the police department is contemplated at the present time, according to Police Chief G. M. Calder, but if the complaints increase then officers will be instructed to confiscate the age-old armament, he said.

### Pane-Smasher Is Bound Over

Charged with burglary of the Sartori Liquor Store, Harvey Sowell, 38, of Long Beach, was arraigned before City Judge Robert Lessing Monday. He was bound over to the superior court for trial. Sowell in a drunken rage smashed one of the front windows of the store with a large piece of concrete Dec. 1 and "helped himself" to the stock displayed in the window.

### Harbor Industrial Heads Meet Tonite

A number of Torrance residents are expected to attend the special industrial meeting of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce tonight at the General Motors assembly plant on Tweedy boulevard near Alameda street in Firestone Park. This dinner-session will be under the joint sponsorship of the General Motors Corporation and the Firestone Park Chamber of Commerce. Following the meeting at 8 o'clock a tour of inspection of the assembly plant will begin, giving all those in attendance an opportunity to witness the construction of new cars. COUNCIL VOTES CASH On motions by Councilman Hitchcock, the city council allocated \$125 for the purchase of the fertilizer for the city parks and \$65 for repairs to the street sweeper Tuesday night.

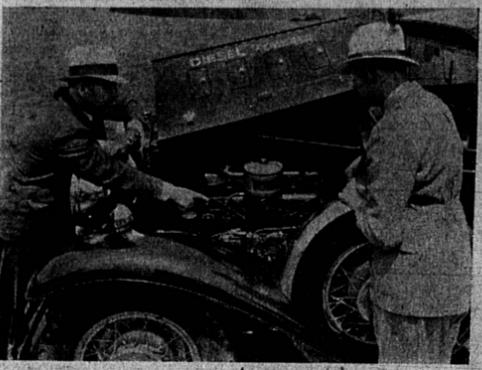
### REALTOR GETS FIRST S. S. NUMBER HERE

To Jesse M. Shipe, realtor in J. C. Smith's Torrance Investment Company office, goes the distinction of receiving the first Social Security old-age pension account number issued a Torrance resident. Shipe, who lives at 2014 Torrance boulevard, received account number 545-01-8744. Mrs. Pauline Adams, who is also employed in Smith's office received the next number and Miss Caroline Stroh, secretary to Dr. A. P. Stevenson, was given the third, it was learned from Postmaster Earl Conner yesterday.

### BUICK SALES SET RECORD

The biggest Buick November in the history of Southern California is reported from the Howard Automobile company zone headquarters in Los Angeles to Lewis Motor Sales, Buick dealer here. Twelve hundred and seventy-seven new Buicks were delivered to purchasers, the zone records show. This total does not represent the full amount of sales, however, because deliveries could not keep even with the rush of purchase orders. Locally, as well as nationally, sales have exceeded the available supply of Buicks since the introduction of the 1937 models despite the largely increased output. Buick production is now challenging the all-time high in an effort to supply the demand, according to information received by M. D. Bardwell of the local Buick dealership. The December production schedule has been set at 28,000. This emphasizes the sweeping gains made by Buick which in the 1936 season led all cars in percentage of sales advance. The 1936-model figures are being dwarfed by the 1937 totals. ERECT GREENHOUSE A building permit was issued to T. H. Wright this week for the construction of an \$8,000 greenhouse, 24x300 feet in size, at 1803 West 190th street.

### Diesel Car Exhibit Coming Here



Inspecting the first Pacific coast Diesel-powered car which is to be shown here Friday and Saturday at the Schultz & Peckham Ford agency, 1514 Cabrillo street, are Ralph Hemphill and Herman Harms of the Hemphill Diesel Engineering school in Los Angeles.

Heralding a new era in passenger car travel, the Diesel-powered car to be exhibited at Schultz & Peckham's Ford headquarters was recently tested on the coast. It is a conventional automobile except that its gasoline engine has been replaced by a six-cylinder full Diesel engine of a new type that is just being placed on the market. Ralph Hemphill, Los Angeles owner of the car, recently stated that he obtains 30 miles on a gallon of fuel that costs four and one-half cents a gallon. On a round trip from Los Angeles to San Diego, a distance of 285 miles, his fuel cost him 54 cents, about one-tenth of the usual cost. Hemphill is president of the Hemphill Diesel Schools at 2121 San Fernando Road, Los Angeles.

In connection with this exhibit, the Hemphill school will exhibit a motion picture film, "Diesel On Parade," at the high school science building, Friday morning at 11 o'clock. This will trace the development of the oil-burning motor from the first one made by Dr. Rudolph Diesel in 1892 to the later types of stationary, plant, truck, tractor, Zeppelin, flying boats and train motors. All of the technical views were made in the Hemphill school. Your rent money will buy a home.

### Parents Thank Firemen for Fine Effort

"To experience such an emergency brings home to us the really valuable service rendered by such well-trained men. We thank you all," wrote Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Huppke, 1816 216th street, Lomita, to the Torrance fire department this week. The reason for their commendation is contained in this paragraph: "May we take this opportunity to express our profound appreciation to the boys of your inhalator squad for their efficient performance in trying to save the life of our baby who was born prematurely on Nov. 27 at Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital."

### Yule Story Hours In Library Told

The annual Christmas story hours at the public library were announced today by Mrs. Dorothy Jamieson, librarian, who cordially invited all youngsters to attend. The first one will be held at 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, Dec. 18, and the second, Monday

### ASK FOR THESE BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

"Green Margins" by E. P. O'Donnell: O'Donnell has placed the scene of his book down in the Delta section of Louisiana where the Mississippi pours its waters into the Gulf; where the shrimp and oyster fisheries and alligator hunts yield a living to a pioneer people. The river is broad and majestic, its aspect constantly changing. This region of flat land and teeming waters with its mixed and lusty population of almost primitive simplicity is new soil in American fiction, and the novel has taken the first literary fellowship prize as well as being the choice book of the month.

"Fifty-five Men" by Fred Rodell: That the Constitution has become a vital factor in the economic and social life of the nation all admit. It has been said that Rodell's study of the Constitutional convention, called "Fifty-five Men," should be read in every school, and all adults should return to school and read it. Rodell, assistant professor of law at Yale, has dedicated his volume "To school children, and politicians for the same reason," and his picture of the founding fathers is a complete antithesis to the popular conception of them. Based on extensive notes taken by James Madison, one of the 55 men who framed the Constitution, it is the author's intention to let the facts speak for themselves and speak they do, with a loud voice. The Constitutional convention met in secret sessions and not one word of its deliberations was published until the appearance of Madison's journal and that document was made public after the death of Madison, he being the last survivor of the "Fifty-five." The style of Rodell's volume is popular and the chapter heads stimulating. ("They knew what they wanted—The melody lingers on—a government of men, not laws," etc.) His willingness to picture the Constitutional delegates as men without either horns or halos, makes his study an enlightening document.

When Columbia came to Torrance, John followed, riding back and forth on street cars four hours daily for two years to and from his home in Los Angeles. John has never forgotten the day when his Llewellyn bosses loaned him \$300 to buy a lot in Torrance—a loan without a note or interest "anything—just that I would pay." He built his five-room home on Amapola 12 years ago and he's got a showplace garden and a sun porch now. But most of all, John has a family and a wife whose raviglioli are beyond compare. Oldest son William, who is 21, works as a crane operator and sometimes has to call on his father to put his crane back in order after something goes wrong. John, Jr., is 10 and is in the fifth grade at the Fern avenue school. He, too, wants to be a steel worker. Both of John's daughters, Rosie and Landa, are married. Rosie is Mrs. Frank Schmidt, Frank being a turn foreman in Columbia's warehouse, and Landa is Mrs. Louis Briganti, Louis being a steel checker in the 36-inch mill. William and

### VETERAN STEEL WORKER HAS SPLENDID COMPANY RECORD

Continued from Page 1 to whom it went only John Agapito knows. And his grin, that crinkles up under the gold-rimmed glasses he wears now and then, is infectious. He speaks with a trace of the old country but he is American and likes Torrance better than any place he has lived before. Walking to and from his work on pumps, service locomotives, cranes, attending to fuel lines, steam lines, water lines and anything else that may get out of order, John sometimes thinks of his boyhood in Aquila province which is about the center of Italy. He remembers his shoemaker father and how he left the old country at 23 "just to move around a bit."

Landing in New York he came almost directly to Globe, Ariz., where he got a job in a mine with the assistance of Italian friends. From there he went to Kingman, then to Roseburg, Calif.—working in mines. This was in 1911. Then he went to Los Angeles, got his "three-day job" with Llewellyn and he's been a steel man ever since. Mrs. Schmidt are Torrance high school graduates and alumni remember William's prowess on the football and baseball teams. Mrs. Briganti married before she was to get her diploma. Grandfather John has two grandchildren—William and Rosie presenting him with a granddaughter and a grandson, respectively.

Citizen This Year Mrs. Antonia Agapito was born in the province of Rome where she learned how to make those raviglioli that have won her fame among all her many friends. John attends to the wine making and his dry vintages also have their supporters among his friends. The Agapito Christmas dinner would not be complete without those two items on the menu. This was a great year for brown-eyed, tousle-haired John Agapito. He won his American citizenship on July 10. He had taken out his first papers in 1908 but what with moving around, rearing a family, building a home and giving his full attention to his job, the process of naturalization met many setbacks. A married and a single sister have remained in Rome but John hears from them regularly. They don't write much about their impressions of Italy under Mussolini but John is not interested in international affairs so that's all right with him. The Sons of Italy order in San Pedro claim his sole lodge activities and he is a member of the Catholic church. Loyalty Recognized That, then, is the story of John Agapito. It is not the complete story because only his family and his close friends know the many acts of kindness, the reverses and adversities which come to any man with a family to test him and his. But the Columbia Steel knows his loyalty—and that is not all inscribed on his record card. It is carried in the hearts of his fellow workers, his bosses and his chief—H. T. Lintott, assistant general superintendent. Said Lintott: "John is a splendid example of a Columbia Steel worker. His long service with the company is an inspiration to anyone connected with the plant. We are

### Crash in Fog Injures Four Tuesday Night

While driving north on Hawthorne boulevard late Tuesday night with three passengers, C. L. Cox, 40, 3132 Imperial Highway, Los Angeles, missed the turn in the heavy fog at Sepulveda boulevard and plunged his machine into an embankment. Cox and his passengers were rushed to Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital by O. D. Butterfield, city electrician, and a friend. They were treated for serious cuts and bruises and then allowed to be taken to their homes. The other victims of the crash were Mrs. Beulah Case, 38, 451 West Second street, San Pedro; Miss Joy Wilson, 20, 3207 West 109th street, Los Angeles, and Lee Brady, 27, 4100 Imperial Highway, Los Angeles.

PRESIDENT ASKS COUNCIL TO CLEAN UP PARK Calling attention to the unsightly appearance of the triangular park at Plaza del Amo and Carson street, Mrs. R. E. Hunn of 1850 Plaza del Amo, wrote the city council Tuesday night that the underbrush "looks like the slums" and stated that the trees need attention. Her communication was given the street committee for investigation and report.

APPECIATE RESPONSE The Torrance Ministerial Union, in a letter read to the city council Tuesday night, expressed its appreciation to the civic board for the "neighborly response to applications for the use of the civic auditorium" for programs sponsored by its members. glad that the pay increase that is noted on checks given Columbia Steel workers today comes at this time of the year when John Agapito and his fellow-workers—like all of us—need some extra cash."

In presenting this print-picture of one of Columbia's workers The Herald wants to make this point clear: His story has been selected as emblematic of the cordial relations existing between workers and employers, symbolic of the average man on the Columbia payroll and typical of the 1,300-odd American workmen who play in the drama of steel that is produced here 24 hours a day.

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